

COMMON COUNCIL
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
JANUARY 20, 2015

Mayor Kristen Brown called a regular meeting of the City Common Council to order at approximately 6:00 P.M. in the City Council Chambers.

I. Meeting Called to Order

- A. Opening Prayer was given by Brian Walker with First Christian Church.
- B. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Brown.
- C. Roll Call was taken. Dascal Bunch, Ryan Brand, Frank Miller, Tim Shuffett, Kenneth Whipker and James Lienhoop were present. Frank Jerome was absent.
- D. Councilor Shuffett made a motion to approve the minutes from the Common Council meeting on January 5, 2015 as presented. Councilor Bunch seconded the motion. Motion passed by a unanimous vote.

II. Unfinished Business Requiring Council Action

- A. None.

III. New Business Requiring Council Action

- A. Reading of a Resolution entitled "RESOLUTION NO. 1, 2015, A RESOLUTION APPROVING A DEDUCTION FOR TAX ABATEMENT IN A PREVIOUSLY DESIGNATED ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION AREA PURSUANT TO INDIANA CODE 6-1.1-12.1, ET. SEQ. AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE STATEMENT OF BENEFITS FORM." (Tech Top LHP Realty, LLC Leasing to LHP Technologies, LLC) Carl Malysz, Community Development Director, presented this request for tax abatement, along with Ryan Hou, President of TechTop LHP Realty, LLC, and Steve Gilley, General Manager with LHP Technologies. Carl stated TechTop LHP Realty, LLC is requesting a tax abatement on real property located at 6889 South International Drive in Columbus. TechTop LHP Realty, LLC is planning a new 60,000 square feet distribution facility with an estimated cost of \$2,000,000 for the project. They plan to retain ten (10) employees and create two (2) new jobs. There were no comments from the public. Councilor Lienhoop stated the Incentive Review Committee met prior to the meeting and found TechTop LHP Realty, LLC to be in substantial compliance. Councilor Lienhoop made a motion to pass the resolution with a ten (10) year abatement. Councilor Brand seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote.
- B. Reading of a Resolution entitled "RESOLUTION NO.____, 2015, A RESOLUTION APPROVING A DEDUCTION FOR TAX ABATEMENT IN A PREVIOUSLY DESIGNATED ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION AREA PURSUANT TO INDIANA CODE 6-1.1-12.1, ET. SEQ. AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE STATEMENT OF BENEFITS FORM." (LifeDesigns-McKinley, LLC) Carl Malysz explained the applicants have asked to table this matter to gather further information. Councilor Shuffett asked Jeff Logston, City Attorney and Executive Director of Administration, if it would be best to allow this resolution to fail for a lack of motion in order to allow the applicants flexibility to re-file the application. Jeff stated that would be

acceptable. Mayor called for a motion. The resolution failed for lack of a motion.

- C. First Reading of an Ordinance entitled "ORDINANCE NO. ____, 2015, AN ORDINANCE VACATING PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY." (Washington – 12th Street Alley Vacation). Jeff Bergman, Planning Director, presented this ordinance by explaining the process for the alley vacation. He stated the right-of-way consists of a 3.2 foot wide strip of ground which runs along the north side of 1207 Washington Street. The adjoining property owner to the north of the alley was in the audience and is in favor of the right-of-way vacation. There were no other comments from the public. Councilor Brand made a motion to pass the first reading and place in proper channels. Councilor Shuffett seconded the motion. Motion passed by a unanimous vote.


- D. First Reading of an Ordinance entitled "ORDINANCE NO. ____, 2015, AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS FOR THE BUDGET YEAR 2015." (Unsafe Building Fund) Jeff Logston presented this ordinance. He explained the Unsafe Building Fund, and requested Council's approval to appropriate \$100,000 from that fund. He stated there are outstanding invoices in the amount of approximately \$36,000 and bids that have yet to be accepted on three (3) properties for approximately \$20,000. There were no comments from the public. Councilor Miller made a motion to pass the first reading and place in proper channels. Councilor Whipker seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

IV. Other Business

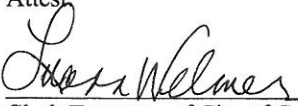
- A. Standing Committee and Liaison Reports - None

- B. The next regular meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, February 3, 2015, 6:00 p.m. in City Hall.**

- C. Councilor Bunch made a motion for adjournment. Councilor Shuffett seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at approximately 6:25 P.M.



Presiding Officer

Attest:


Clerk Treasurer of City of Columbus